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## 'It's great to be back home'

### Marshall football looks to continue win streak with homecoming game

By KYLE CURLEY  
THE PARTHENON

Marshall football (4-1, 1-0) regains its home field advantage this Saturday for the team's homecoming game at Joan C. Edwards Stadium against conference rival Old Dominion University (2-2, 0-0).

"It's great to be back home and have the opportunity to play a game again here," Head coach Doc Holliday said. "It seems like forever since we've been home."

The Thundering Herd captured its first conference win last week with a 14-3 victory over the Charlotte 49ers. Junior running back Keion Davis reached 1,000 career rushing yards for the Herd, and senior tight end Ryan Yurachek eclipsed 1,000 career receiving yards as well.

Homecoming is the one of the most important dates of the year for teams in the NCAA. The importance of this game has not been lost on the Marshall football team.

"Everywhere, since I started football, homecoming has

always been the game where you have the most fun out of all the games," Gant said. "It's a serious game but it's more fun. There is more energy in the crowd. It's a good feeling."

Wide receiver Tyre Brady continued his season with a pair of touchdown catches against the 49ers. The junior wide receiver said this Saturday's homecoming game has a different energy about it.

"Always, it's always good to build off that," Brady said. "You can feed off that energy with Saturday's homecoming, and we will be ready to go."

The Thundering Herd offense has continued to improve this season. Starting quarterback Chase Litton passed for his 17th career multi-touchdown game, three out of the five games this campaign. Red-shirt sophomore Levy Brown said he believes the success can be attributed to the relentless rushing attack of the Herd.

"I think it's because we do

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Marshall football players arrive at Joan C. Edwards Stadium for their first game of the season against Miami Ohio. The Herd launched the season with a win over the Miami Redhawks, with a score of 31-26. Saturday, the Herd will face off against the Old Dominion Monarchs, its first home game in four weeks.

## Fighting Addiction club hopes to change narrative of opioid epidemic

By HUNTER ELLIS  
THE PARTHENON

Fighting Addiction is a new club on campus looking for members interested in "changing the narrative" of the opioid epidemic affecting the community, according to club president and second year medical student Mouhammed Sakkal.

The goal of the club is currently to increase in size and bring together students to help make a difference in the community. The club has held their first formal meeting and participated in the Unity Walk Monday.

Sakkal said the club wants to approach the problem from an educational perspective, focusing on media outlook and advocating for laws and policies that could alleviate the situation. He said the organization will not solve the issue, an unrealistic goal for a student organization, but that he hopes they can be a part of the solution.

"I'm from Logan and I grew up in Charleston so I've been aware of this issue for a long time, especially being in the health field but I don't think you need to be in healthcare to realize that this community is plagued with this epidemic" Sakkal said. "We want to change the narrative of what it means to be an addict and the stigma that comes along with it. It's on us to help be a part of the solution, to not turn our back on our brothers and sisters in the community"

The club has an upcoming meeting with the Mayor's Office for Drug Control Policy Monday to



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Members of the Fighting Addiction club participating in Marshall's Unity Walk Monday.

discuss what they can do as students to counter the issues. The group also plans to reach out to Recovery Point, a local addiction recovery center, as well as host philanthropy opportunities for students who want to get more involved.

Deena Dahshan and Paige Lester, senior biology majors, said they joined because the opioid

problem is something that "really hits close to home" living in Huntington.

"Seeing these people, you can't just ignore it and think it's not your problem because you're not personally affected," Dahshan said. "Huntington has hope."

Lester said she sees a lot of apathy towards the

issue and believes if more people were willing to extend compassion to their community, everyone would be benefitted.

"The people here are very family oriented and welcoming and as part of the family we can help the rest get out of that darkness of addiction, or the battle that they're fighting by supporting them," Dahshan said. "This is the number one issue that's affecting this community. I think it's really important that students begin to get involved"

Students looking to help out with the organization can send an email to mufightingaddiction@gmail.com and they will be added to a list to be informed when the next meeting will take place along with other information about the club.

Sakkal said his vision for the organization is to create something where students can get involved and be a part of the solution to an issue that's not going to be solved overnight.

Fighting Addiction has students involved with the Student Government Association, a number of undergraduate programs and Marshall's medical school. Although they have a diverse group of students, they are interested in opening their club to even more students from all different paths at Marshall, according to Sakkal

"Our main focus is to help the community, but of course it helps students involved," Sakkal said. "You benefit more than what you think when you help others."

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President Donald Trump tosses paper towels into a crowd as he hands out supplies at Calvary Chapel, Tuesday, Oct. 3 in Guaynabo, Puerto Rico. Trump was in Puerto Rico to survey hurricane damage.

# Editorial: Playing games with Puerto Rico

In another morning burst of tweets with no clear purpose other than to fill Americans with palpable existential dread, President Donald Trump signaled Thursday he may just give up on this whole Puerto Rico thing.

“Electric and infrastructure was disaster before hurricanes,” Trump said in his tweets, “Congress to decide how much to spend...We cannot keep FEMA, the Military & the First Responders, who have been amazing (under the most difficult circumstances) in P.R. forever!”

To put this in context, the self-proclaimed billionaire president of one of the richest country in the world is threatening to pull disaster relief funds from an American territory that just recently faced what some have called the most devastating storm in a century. It is no longer shocking coming from Trump, who has oozed ambivalence since the hurricane struck. The president seems to believe he can leave millions of individuals relying on the federal government’s assistance in limbo based solely on budgetary concerns.

Such action could have a ruthless impact on the citizens of the island. As of today, the official death toll in Puerto Rico stands at 45. The New York Times reports that hospitals are in disorder throughout Puerto Rico, running “low on medicine and high on

patients.” Equally discouraging, the percentage of Puerto Ricans without electricity is rising rather than declining. According to the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority, Tuesday nearly 90 percent of Puerto Rico had no power, up from 84 percent on Monday. Because of the blackout, 40 percent of the island is without running water.

It’s clear that Puerto Rico is depending on the federal government’s help. While Trump’s administration isn’t doing nothing, it stands that what it may be doing isn’t enough. Robert P. Kadlec, assistant secretary of Health and Human Services for preparedness and response, told The New York Times the island’s situation is so dire that no amount of help would be too much.

“The devastation I saw, I thought was equivalent to a nuclear detonation,” Kadlec said. “Whatever you do, will be almost insufficient to the demand and need that is out there for these 3.5 million Americans in Puerto Rico. We are doing everything we can with what we have, and we have a lot.”

Despite this, the president is doing the opposite of what needs to be done to make sure relief efforts measure up. He’s suggesting we give up. While outrageous, it’s expected coming from Trump, whose slow disaster response, lack of compassion and tweets tinged in racism have overshadowed the devastation Puerto

Ricans are living with every day.

In a series of tweets two weeks ago, Trump suggested that Puerto Ricans “want everything to be done for them when it should be a community effort,” reviving a racist stereotype concerning individuals of Hispanic descent.

Likewise, during the president’s visit to the island last week, Trump was presumably striving to create a political disaster of equal likeness to the natural disaster. The president told Puerto Ricans they should be “very proud” that their death toll, at the time, was only 16 compared to a “real catastrophe like Katrina.” He then appealed to fiscal concerns, stating that the island had “thrown our budget a little out of whack.” To cap off his unfortunate appearance, Trump lobbed paper towels into a crowd of Puerto Rican citizens, further degrading a group of individuals the president has yet to express any genuine humanity toward.

Having already established the budget as a potential scapegoat, it appears Trump is eager to pursue the excuse in order to wiggle out of a disaster made worse by his administration’s indifference. Predictably, it appears that Puerto Rico has become another pawn in Trump’s political game, and the president seems all too willing to sacrifice it for his own personal benefit.

# LET ME BE FRANK: ON MIDTERMS



By FRANKLIN NORTON  
SOCIAL MEDIA MANAGER

It’s that time of the semester where life gets real and things get hard and we start to ask ourselves: is this all even worth it? There were several times this week that I spoke with friends who were feeling overwhelmed by the pressures of life, as the seasons change and our workloads get fuller. As I was driving home the other night, I was feeling weighty after some of the conversations I had. Let this be an encouragement to not only my closest friends, but the strangers reading this.

Don’t forget to notice your life. Look at things with a fresh set of eyes and embrace the world’s whimsy. Check out the sunset and watch how it reflects off the water. Have coffee with a friend

and tell jokes and laugh hard. Blast your favorite song in the car and give the concert of your life. Make moments matter and find the extraordinary in the ordinary. It’s there. Believe me.

For so long, I allowed my grades and my achievements to define who I was. It’s a trap that affects us all. We place our value in things that are, quite often, not valuable. We have to stop measuring ourselves by G.P.A. points and G.R.E. scores. One of my favorite authors and humans, Bob Goff, said this in his book, Love Does: “I used to be afraid of failing at something that really mattered to me, but now I’m more afraid of succeeding at things that don’t matter.” There is so much more to life than we’ve been told.

It is so easy to allow stress to overcome us. It consumes our minds and steals our time. So, take the study break, put the book down and go hang out with your friends. I’ll quote Bob again: “Being engaged is a way of doing life, a way of living and loving. It’s about going to extremes and expressing the bright hope that life offers us, a hope that makes us brave and expels darkness with light. That’s what I want my life to be all about - full of abandon, whimsy and in love.”

Look around now and always at where you are, what you are doing and who you are with. Just don’t forget to notice how good and fun life can be.

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# SPORTS

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## Yanks complete comeback, beat Indians 5-2 in Game 5 of ALDS

**By: TOM WITHERS**  
AP SPORTS WRITER

**CLEVELAND (AP)** — These young Yankees were unshaken, resilient and as tough as the city they represent.

The baby Bronx Bombers have grown up fast.

Didi Gregorius, following in the October footprints left by Derek Jeter, homered twice off Corey Kluber as New York beat the Cleveland Indians 5-2 in Game 5 on Wednesday night to complete its comeback from a 2-0 deficit in the Division Series and dethrone the AL champions.

The bend-but-don't-break Yankees, way ahead of schedule, staved off elimination for the fourth time in this post-season and advanced to play the Houston Astros in the AL Championship Series starting Friday night at Minute Maid Park.

With a blend of young stars and older veterans coming up big, the Yankees rocked Cleveland and bailed out manager Joe Girardi, who failed to challenge a key call in a Game 2 loss that threatened to sabotage New York's season.

"These guys had my back and they fought and fought," Girardi said. "They beat a really good team. What those guys did for me, I'll never forget it."

The Yankees went 2-5 against the AL West champion Astros, led by 5-foot-6 dynamo and MVP candidate Jose Altuve. But none of that matters now to this group of New Yorkers.

After winning twice at home, and after Girardi said he "screwed up" and felt horrible about it, the Yankees — with little offensive help from rookie star Aaron Judge — came into Progressive Field and finished off the Indians, who won 102 games during the regular season, ripped off a historic 22-game winning streak and were favored to get back to the World Series after losing in

seven games a year ago to the Chicago Cubs.

Cleveland's Series drought turns 70 next year — baseball's longest dry spell.

"Nobody wanted the season to be over," Indians manager Terry Francona said. "It doesn't wind down, it comes to a crashing halt. It's disappointing. We felt good about ourselves. We made it harder to win, especially in the last two games."

The Indians closed to 3-2 in the fifth against starter CC Sabathia before David Robertson pitched 2 2/3 hitless innings for the win. Yankees closer Aroldis Chapman, who faced Cleveland in last year's spine-tingling World Series and signed an \$86 million free agent contract in December, worked two innings for the save.

Chapman went to the mound with a three-run lead in the ninth after Brett Gardner battled Cody Allen for 12 pitches before hitting an RBI single, with New York's fifth run scoring when Todd Frazier raced home on right fielder Jay Bruce's throwing error.

Gardner's gritty at-bat was symbolic of these Yankees. They wouldn't give in.

"We can win a lot of different ways," Gardner said.

When Austin Jackson was called out on strikes to end it, the Yankees rushed to the mound to celebrate with a wide-eyed Chapman. An elated Girardi hugged his coaches.

On Friday, Girardi was crestfallen, afraid he had wrecked the season.

"After Game 2, Joe came up to me in this same spot (outside the manager's office) and said, 'Hey, man. I'm sorry,'" Yankees general manager Brian Cashman said. "I told him, 'We just have to keep battling. Nothing is over yet.' No one on the plane home thought it was over at all."

The Yankees became the 10th team to overcome a 2-0



New York Yankees celebrate after the Yankees defeated the Cleveland Indians 5-2 in Game 5 of s baseball American League Division Series, Wednesday in Cleveland, to advance to the ALCS.

deficit to win a best-of-five playoff series. New York also did it in 2001, rallying to beat Oakland — a series remembered for Jeter's backhand flip to home plate.

Gregorius, who took over at shortstop following Jeter's retirement after the 2014 season, hit a solo homer in the first off Kluber and added a two-run shot in the third off Cleveland's ace, who didn't look like himself during either start in this series.

One win shy of a Series title last year, the Indians had only one goal in mind in 2017.

They came up short again, and have now lost six consecutive games with a chance to clinch a postseason series. The skid dates to last year's World Series, when they squandered a 3-1 lead to the Cubs.

Cleveland is the first

team in history to blow a two-game series lead in consecutive postseasons.

Everything was set up for the Indians: Kluber on the mound, Game 5 at home, sensational setup man Andrew Miller rested.

The Yankees, though, wouldn't be denied. They battled back from a 3-0 deficit in the first inning of their wild-card game against Minnesota and then had to overcome a crushing loss in Game 2, when Girardi's decisions led to him being booed at Yankee Stadium.

But these Yankees displayed pinstriped pride and pulled Girardi off the hook.

"I had a hole in my heart for about five or six days," he said. It's healed now.

JUDGE NOT

The Yankees advanced without much help from Judge, who struck out four times in Game 5 and went 1 for 20 (.050) in the

series with 16 strikeouts — an ALDS record. But the 6-foot-7 rookie might have saved New York's season in Game 3, when he reached above the right-field wall to rob Francisco Lindor of a two-run homer in a 1-0 win. "I didn't do my job at the top of the order, but my teammates came up big for me," Judge said.

KLUBER KLOBBERED

Kluber was one of baseball's most consistent pitchers all season, winning 18 games and leading the AL with a 2.25 ERA.

However, October was cruel to the right-hander. He allowed nine runs, including four homers, over 6 1/3 innings in two postseason starts, hardly what he or the Indians expected.

Kluber overcame a back issue earlier this season and it flared up this fall.

"He's fighting a lot," Francona said. "I think you also

have to respect the fact that guy wants to go out there and he's our horse. And sometimes it doesn't work."

SLUMPS

The Indians batted .171 as a team with All-Stars Francisco Lindor (2 for 18) and Jose Ramirez (2 for 20) unable to snap out of funks.

SWEET SWING

Gregorius set a franchise record for home runs in a season by a shortstop with 25, one more than Jeter hit in 1999 when No. 2 led the Yankees to a second straight World Series title.

Gregorius got New York off to an ideal start, homering with two outs in the first when Kluber grooved a fastball. The shot deep into the seats in right raised the anxiety level to an already jittery Cleveland crowd fearing the worst.

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run the ball so much that even if it's not necessarily working, we will still go back to it and run it over and over and get a few yards now and then," Brown mentioned. "We are a balanced team for the most part. Just throwing the ball and we do the quick game a lot which brings their linebackers downhill more and sets up more of a play action look."

Marshall linebacker Juwon Young debuted against Charlotte last week. The 6-foot-2, 250-pound linebacker finished the contest with four tackles and assisted on a sack with fellow linebacker Artis Johnson.

"He's just a good player," Holliday said. "Our guys have tremendous respect for him as a player. He came in and had 32 production points his first time out, which is a lot. Not only can he play linebacker, but he can

come off the edge in some pass rush, and he brings a lot of things to the table that we can do with him."

ODU's Steve Williams is at the helm for their offense. The freshman quarterback has gained attention for his athletic abilities on the field. However, Marshall has one of the most athletic linebacker cores in the conference and it showed against a similar quarterback in Hassan Klugh in Charlotte last weekend.

"Juwon (Young) gave us one more body that you can get in there and play, but all those guys have played well," Holliday said. "Chase Hancock has played like an all-conference player. I think he was leading the conference in tackles last week. Artis Johnson, Omari Cobb and Frankie Hernandez are some guys who are playing well."

The Monarch's defense has allowed on

average 234 rush yards per game to its opponents this season for an NCAA ranking of 115th in the league. Yet, Holliday said the Monarchs will be at their best for the contest this Saturday with the integration of two new defensive linemen.

"They have really good players, and it's not just coach speak, if you turn the film on them and watch them," Holliday said. "Supposedly they have two defensive ends coming back, so we'll get their best shot with them coming back. They're very athletic; they do a tremendous job technique-wise as far as rushing the passer goes. They've had success getting to the quarterback, and they've played Virginia Tech and North Carolina. They've played some good teams."

Despite being 4-1 this season, Brown said he believes the team can still make little improvements, which they look forward to correcting

during the game on Saturday.

"We don't worry about style points," Brown said. "At the same time, you see little things where it's still just one step away, we are not really rolling how we can be. Our run game was really good this past weekend, but we were off a little bit in the pass game. We look forward to just attacking the weekend and improving on things like that."

Home cooking has been good for the Marshall football team and its fans. Out of the last 30 home games, Marshall has been bested a mere five times. The all-time record at home for the Herd stands at 153-30 for a win percentage of 83.6 percent.

Kickoff is slated for 2:30 p.m. in Huntington this Saturday, and the game will be broadcast live on ESPN 3.

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## South Dakota school probes racist stunt before football game

**ASSOCIATED PRESS**

**STURGIS, S.D. (AP)** — A South Dakota high school has launched an investigation after photos posted on social media show students destroying a car with "Go back to the Rez" painted on the side, ahead of a football game against a school from a nearby American Indian reservation.

Sturgis Brown High School is scheduled to play Pine Ridge High School, from the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, on Friday. Sturgis

Principal Pete Wilson said it's unclear if the game will be played. Pine Ridge Principal Michael Carlow wasn't immediately available for comment to The Associated Press.

Wilson told the AP that he learned of the posts Wednesday evening, saying the actions of a few reflect poorly on the school and that the situation "hurts the student body."

"It's the worst day I've ever had," said Wilson, adding that discipline would occur "after we figure out everything."

A photo shows people hitting a car with sledgehammers. The ritual used to be homecoming

tradition but is no longer sponsored by the school, according to the newspaper.

Sturgis police Chief Geody VanDewater said the department is working with school officials to provide assistance. VanDewater added that "at this point there's not anything criminal," but police are "looking through it thoroughly before we make judgment."

Meade School District Superintendent Don Kirkegaard, the school board and the district's administration and staff apologized for the actions of a "few students" from the high school in a joint statement, the

Rapid City Journal reported.

"We do not support, teach nor endorse the inappropriate behaviors and actions that occurred Wednesday evening. We are appalled and disgusted by the racist comments that appeared on social media," the statement said.

Wilson said here was an assembly Thursday morning at the school, which state fall 2016 enrollment numbers say had about 685 students. Wilson said officials are planning cultural awareness assemblies throughout the entire district.



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# Campus to celebrate LGBTQ Spirit Day



The Rainbow Flag flies beneath the American flag at the Stonewall National Monument, Wednesday, Oct. 11, 2017, in New York. The Rainbow Flag, an international symbol of LGBT liberation and pride, was flown for the first time at the monument.

By **PAMELA YOUNG**  
THE PARTHENON

Each year, on National Coming Out Day, lesbians, gays, bisexuals, transgenders, and other members of the Marshall and Huntington Community gather to celebrate and support equality for all beings despite their sexual orientation or gender identity. National Coming Out Day, founded in 1988 by psychologist Richard Eichberg and gay rights activist Jean O’Leary, was established to

raise awareness of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender communities. Oct. 11 marks the anniversary of the second major National March on Washington for lesbian and gay rights, which took place 1987. On Marshall University’s Campus, the LGBTQ+ office prepared an informative table Wednesday at the Memorial Student Center lobby outside of the Center for African American Students Office, marking the 29th anniversary

of this national day. Program director Shaunte Polk expressed the importance of celebrating those individuals for coming out and to raise awareness of the LGBTQ+ community and civil rights movement towards equality. “In the 1980s, when many people did not know any openly gay people, coming out was a form of activism,” Polk said. “It challenged conventional ideas and fears by showing that the LGBTQ+

community was a part of everyday life.” LGBTQ Spirit Day will be held on Monday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center Lobby. Some students, faculty and members of the LGBTQ+ community will be wearing purple Monday in support of LGBTQ youth and to honor LGBTQ lives lost to bullying and assault. **Pamela Young can be contacted at young384@marshall.edu.**

# PINK Bus returns after successful last year

By **DANITE BELAY**  
THE PARTHENON

Victoria’s Secret’s PINK Bus made its way back to Marshall, after receiving the highest number of sales of any campus in the PINK campus rep program last year. The PINK Bus gives students the opportunity to shop the Marshall PINK Collegiate Collection on campus. Alexandra Pfof, PINK campus representative for Marshall, said that the PINK Bus is essentially a store on wheels. “It’s a shopping bus. Students can come and shop anything they would in the store, but we actually have it discounted here,” Pfof said. “They can get like \$25 bras, and 25 percent off the PINK Collegiate Collection, which would be a lot more expensive in store.” Katie Coleman, a freshman shopping the PINK Bus, said that having this opportunity on campus is a good time to bring friends together especially during the stress of midterms. “It really brings people out,” Coleman said. “It’s really convenient to have this right on campus and it’s a lot fun.” With over 100 schools in the PINK collegiate program, Pfof said not every school gets the chance of having the PINK bus on their school’s campus but with the sales they had at Marshall last year, they knew it had to be a top priority this year. “Last year was our first year with the entire program and they came here and we sold the most apparel out of every school that they visited which



The Victoria’s Secret PINK Bus welcomes students aboard Wednesday on Buskirk Field.

is cool,” Pfof said. “They definitely wanted to make sure that they came back to see us.” The PINK Bus goes to different campuses once a year and because of the crowd of students the shopping bus brings, Pfof said, PINK’s campus presence grows even more. “I think this helps get students more involved. If they weren’t aware of the PINK campus rep program, or that PINK has a presence on campus, they definitely are now,” Pfof said. “I know personally I wasn’t aware that we had campus reps until I saw the major PINK Bus was here last year and it lead me to do a little more research, so I definitely think it’s something special for our students to see.” “I’m hoping that PINK events like this will bring something different to campus every year,” Pfof said. “I think that

Marshall University, in particular, is very present with the PINK program and they are really involved and enjoy it so I just hope that grows over the years.” Pfof said there will be more PINK programs for students to be involved in on campus in the near future. **Danite Belay can be contacted at belay3@marshall.edu.**

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# Police Blotter

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**Shoplifting**  
Marshall University Police Department received a report of items stolen from the Memorial Student Center on Oct. 2. The suspect took a Chick-fil-a sandwich and fries. He exited the student center through the double doors without paying. The male suspect was issued a citation for shoplifting.

**Shoplifting**  
MUPD received a shoplifting complaint from the Marshall Bookstore manager Oct. 2. The bookstore staff found that price tags had been removed from items in the bookstore. MUPD reviewed the video from the security cameras and observed a female tearing the tags off of the items. The suspect is a white female wearing a red hoodie. The suspect has yet to be identified.

**Petit Larceny**  
MUPD received a report of banners being removed from various locations around campus on Oct. 2.

**Petit Larceny**  
MUPD received a report of a stolen bike Oct. 2 from Twin Towers East Residence Halls. The victim said he locked up his bike at the Twin Towers East bike rack Sept. 27, and when he returned Oct. 2, the bike was gone. He did not change the number on his lock after

attaching it to the bike rack, so the suspect just pulled the lock apart and took it.

**Petit Larceny**  
MUPD received a report of items taken from the Henderson Center Oct. 3. The suspect took flippers and a watch from the men’s locker room near the swimming pool area. Two lockers were broken into, and the locks were found on the floor.

**Petit Larceny**  
MUPD received a report of an item taken from a women’s purse during a volleyball game at the Henderson center. The report was received Oct. 3. The victim claims to have left her purse at the ticket table, and when she came back, \$250 was stolen out of it. MUPD plans to review security footage to find the suspect.

**Sexual Assault**  
MUPD received a report of a sexual assault occurring in Buskirk Hall on Oct. 5. The female does not wish to pursue any charges.

**Unlawful Drinking Under 21**  
MUPD issued a citation to an 18-year-old white male for underage drinking. The incident occurred at South Residence Hall Oct. 8.

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# Commuter students hopeful after Road Bond passes vote

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With unofficial results in, over 70 percent of West Virginians who voted Saturday have agreed to authorize the state to issue up to \$1.6 billion in state bonds to improve roads and bridges. During Governor Jim Justice’s visit to Huntington last month, he said if the Bonds for Roads and Bridges Measure amendment passes, road work will increase, but it would be more beneficial to the state in the long run. Commuter, Caleb Kessler, said the road bond is necessary for a safer drive, especially for him on his 45-minute commute.

“There are a lot of places with huge potholes, and I’d like those to be fixed because if you’re just sitting around in the car and somebody swerves, it’s not fun, or if you go into a giant pothole,” Kessler said. “So, I mean that would be pretty good especially if you don’t want to break your car.” Although commuter students said they have a lot of complaints about road work causing traffic, they do believe the repairs will eventually affect them and others in the future positively. Final results for the special election will not be released. **Danite Belay can be contacted at belay3@marshall.edu.**

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# First lady sees plight of addicted infants firsthand

**By BISHOP NASH**  
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HUNTINGTON, W.Va. —  
Melania Trump arrived in Huntington about as quietly as a first lady can — the flip-side to the spirited splash her husband made in town two months earlier.  
First Lady Melanie Trump toured Lily’s Place in Huntington to meet and speak with those affected by opiod abuse Tuesday.  
(Photo courtesy Stephanie Grisham, via Twitter)

Unlike the last time a presidential motorcade rolled through Huntington, carrying President Donald Trump to a rally downtown in August, there were no speeches to be made. The first lady had come to listen. There were no roaring crowds to ignite — only the sterile, controlled silence enveloping about a dozen infants recovering from addiction withdrawal.  
The black SUVs rolled up and over 7th Avenue’s cracked sidewalk to the front door of Lily’s Place, where the first lady heard firsthand about neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS) and the center’s mission in treating it.  
“She wanted to hear, she wanted to learn, and she wanted to be educated on what we are doing and why we are doing it,” said Rebecca Crowder, executive director of Lily’s Place. “I think she’s really

shown that she may not know everything, but she wants to know everything.”  
The visit was sparked by Crowder’s visit to Washington, D.C., two weeks ago, where she met with the first lady during a White House discussion on drug addiction. Since then, Crowder said, the first lady has continued to show interest in the plight of babies born with NAS.  
“It’s one thing to hear about it. It’s another thing to see it,” Crowder said. “She may not have a plan right now, but this type of thing is helping her develop that plan for what she can do.”  
Trump was accompanied by Dr. Elinor McCance-Katz, assistant secretary for mental health and substance use at the Department of Health and Human Services, and Kellyanne Conway, counselor to the president, who joined in a roundtable discussion with Crowder and staff at Lily’s Place.  
She later spoke in private with two families currently enrolled at the facility.  
The first lady was curious about what prompted the creation of Lily’s Place, Crowder said, and the scope of the need for such a facility. She asked what centers such as Lily’s Place can provide for children born with NAS, as well as their families, in support against the

opioid epidemic.  
Trump shared her impression in a White House statement after arriving back in Washington from the roughly 50-minute meeting in Huntington on Tuesday afternoon.  
“By placing a priority on the whole family, infants born dependent on drugs are given the best opportunity to thrive because their parents are also given the support and tools they need to recover and succeed as parents and members of their community,” Trump said.  
“It is my hope that we can find ways to create more of the opportunities afforded by places like Lily’s Place so that we can continue to help infants and children grow into happy, healthy adults.”  
While Huntington may be labeled ground zero for the opioid epidemic, facilities such as Lily’s Place, along with the city’s other innovative methods, have the potential to mold Huntington into a model city as other cities begin to face their own problems sparked by opioid misuse, said Dr. Sean Loudin, medical director at Lily’s Place.  
“I think we’re sort of that litmus test, or the canary in the coal mine, and what we’ll see is that other communities will see the same exact things we are, though it may be not for a little while,” Loudin said. “So they

can look back at what we’ve done and what we’ve been through and how we’ve tackled those issues, and it may be easier for those communities in the future.”  
Founded in 2014, Lily’s Place was the first treatment center opened specifically to treat NAS in infants born with addiction. The center can house up to 12 infants at a time.  
Trump cradled 9-month-old Kyrie King-Hickey, of Milton, a Lily’s Place graduate who had been admitted with NAS six days after birth. His mother, Rachel Kinder, told Trump that Kyrie is now developing like any other child thanks to the care he received at Lily’s Place.  
“Now you would never know he was here,” said Kinder, who used methadone during pregnancy before Kyrie was born in February. “He’s just like any other baby.”  
Like Crowder, Kinder said she was impressed by Trump’s genuine interest in not only the babies born with NAS, but also in the city’s overarching struggle against the opioid epidemic.  
“She seemed like she really did care about our city and the epidemic,” Kinder said. “For her to care about how I was doing, it made me feel really happy and excited.”  
Tuesday was Melania Trump’s first visit to West Virginia since becoming first lady.

# Organization of African Students now Pan African Students Association

**By PAMELA YOUNG**  
THE PARTHENON  
The Organization of African Students have recently changed both their name and logo from OAS to PASA, the Pan African Students Association.  
The group consists of Marshall university students who are from Africa and the Caribbean, is open to any students to join.  
“We have a diverse group that wants to be, more so, known for its culture, its diversity and pretty much we’re just trying to brand ourselves,” Bisodun Joyce Ishola, graduate pharmacy student and president of PASA, said.  
Ishola explained the organization still remains the same as it always has, buy the only difference is the name and logo.  
“I think the reason why we decided to rename OAS is because we wanted to have a catchier and trendier name that when you hear it,” Ishola said. “You have to ask what it means and stands for. You have to take the initiative to want to know about the organization.”  
The Pan African Students Association will be having their Annual African Fashion Show and plan to showcase their cuisines at the upcoming International Festival.  
“We’re planning on hosting a Taste of Africa, where students and members of the community will be able to taste a variety of different African dishes,” Birhane Girmay, senior and vice president of PASA, said.  
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# California Wildfires: Leaving home in a fire zone and fearing it's a final goodbye

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**BOYES HOT SPRINGS, Calif. (AP) —**  
Neighbors and strangers huddle along streets under siege by wildfires. We fix our worried stares on ridges encircling us, at billowing smoke and hope we don't see the glow of flames.  
In the path of one of California's deadliest blazes, talk is of wind direction, evacuations and goodbyes.  
Each time I turn the key to lock my front door, I think I might be leaving home for the last time. I've covered my share of stories about people fleeing catastrophes, but I'm living the life of a fire evacuee for the first time.  
“Take care, sweetie,” one woman said in my community on the edge of the small, rural, wine-centric city of Sonoma, hugging me through my car window on one of three consecutive nights we fled an approaching blaze.  
On that Tuesday night, flames arced like solar flares on the ridges above sprawling old oaks and tall redwoods. The trees conceal the wooden former cottages from Boyes Hot Springs' days as a resort destination for wealthy San Franciscans looking to soak away their aches in the hot springs.  
Now, it's a tinder-dry working- and middle-class community on edge.  
Another neighbor climbed onto his roof with a garden hose, training water first on his house, then surrounding ones. Another neighbor vowed to stay, envisioning taking a stand against any looters.  
With the ever-present stench of smoke, discussion that night on the street focused on the direction of the wind and advancing fires.  
“Northeast,” one man said. I didn't understand the subtleties but knew winds from the north were bad.  
“Northwest,” a woman next to him angrily corrected, glaring at him in darkness brought on by a loss of electricity.  
“Northeast,” he insisted, and we all lapsed back into our silent sentry of the ridgetops.

Not everyone in Northern California had the ability to watch the fire grow when so-called Diablo winds whipped up the wildfires late Sunday. In the first hours, dry tempests toppled oaks onto roads, ripped loose power lines and drove deadly embers ahead for miles.  
Many of the more than two dozen people killed so far died in those first hours as wildfires reduced whole blocks of houses to ankle-high ruins with little or no warning.  
At 3:30 a.m. Monday, smoke was so strong that I awoke thinking my house was on fire. With electricity already gone, it shocked me how long it took to gather contact lenses, shoes and other essentials I scattered when I had returned to California a few hours earlier from a cousin's wedding in Oklahoma.  
For two sleepless days, I drove around with my dog, John, in the backseat in case fire overtook my home while I was reporting on the destruction.  
The death toll climbed. The number of houses destroyed grew into the thousands. And two dozen fires kept advancing at the whim of the winds.  
My canine companion lost hope he was on an extra-long trip to the dog park and grew steadily depressed, slumping on the seat. Many others had their dogs in tow, their heads sticking out car windows as firetrucks sped past and mountains burned.  
With my suitcase still packed for the wedding, I had a go-bag with me, although the knee-length dresses and heels were unsuitable evacuee wear.  
Hundreds of police officers and then National Guard members poured into fire zones, helping evacuate residents and block people from returning to burning and scorched areas.  
My press pass got me past roadblocks. Highways and farm lanes were blackened for miles on both sides. With familiar buildings and landmarks gone, whole stretches of road were unrecognizable.  
I came across former volunteer firefighters defending their houses from

relentless flames that advanced at first from one ridge, then another, then another. The popping of propane tanks in the area punctuated conversations.  
People clustered at barricades that blocked them from their homes. Some pleaded with lawmen to pass. Others numbly accepted it.  
I encountered people on foot where it seemed unwise to be.  
A woman with a duffel bag hanging from each shoulder stood alone on a highway, the only pedestrian for miles in a burning area.  
“What should I do?” she asked.  
She had been told the fire was coming, that her house would surely burn. It wouldn't burn, would it? she asked, seeking reassurance. She didn't want to go to Sonoma, where I was heading, so she thanked me and stayed behind.  
I gave a lift to a San Francisco man who had left his car and set out on foot to check the fate of a vacation rental property. He celebrated to see it unburned but returned to the car grumbling about how messy the vacationers had left it when they fled.  
I returned home Wednesday morning and relished a rare normal moment walking my dog, only to curse when I realized ash was raining down.  
Later that morning in Napa, the namesake city of the neighboring wine-making area, smoke blinded a driver as he rolled down a window exiting a freeway and rear-ended my gray Prius.  
Driving back home with the left rear lights and back frame of my car now askew, the radio station I was listening to had a news reporter breathlessly broadcasting from my block. Never a good sign.  
Ash pelted my windshield and officers encouraged us to go.  
I picked up my tortoise shell cat, Jumpy, and sadly freed two chickens to their fate in my backyard before turning the key in the lock one more time.  
Tree limbs started swaying gently as the wind rose and I drove away, hoping it wasn't the final goodbye.

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